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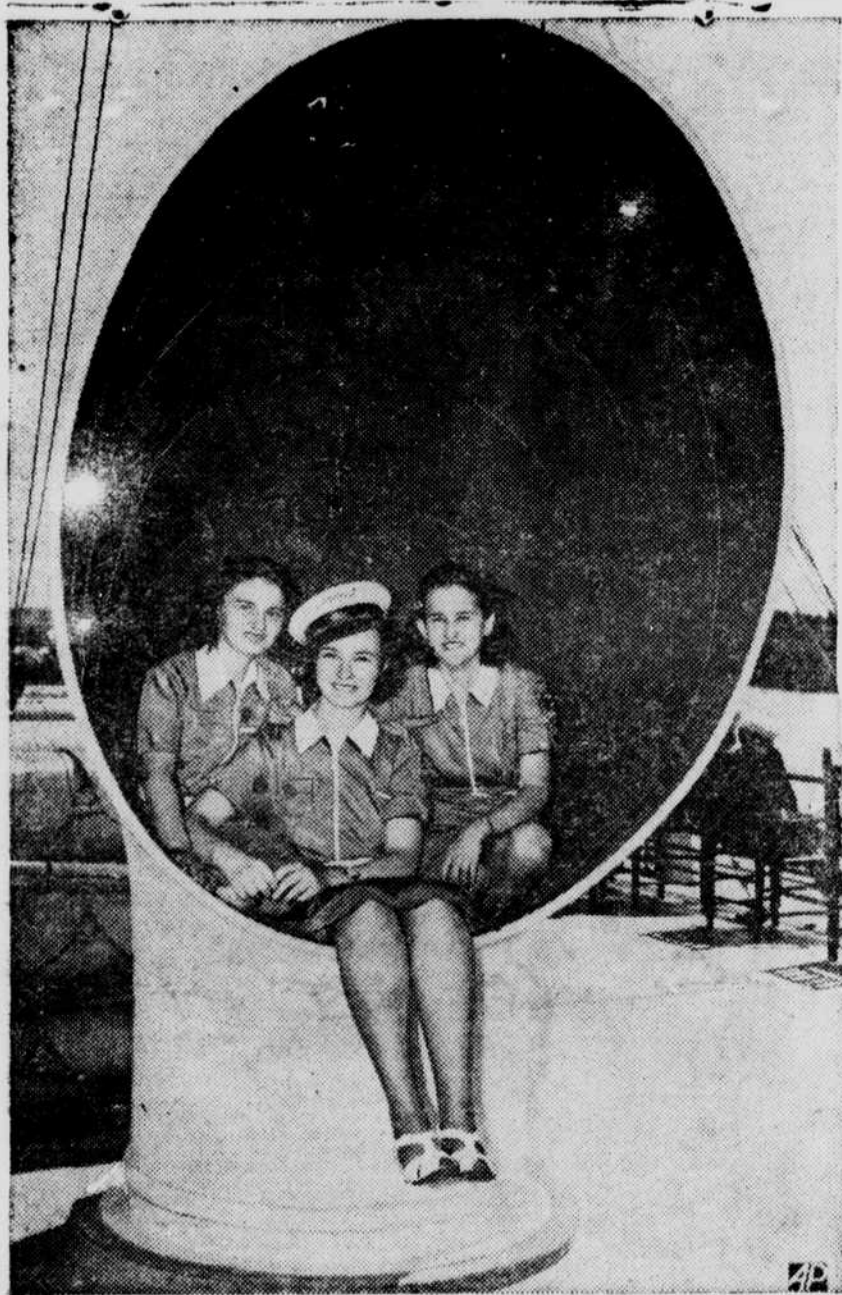
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ENGLAND, FRANCE JOIN WAR

BRITISH LINER ATHENIA WAS TORPEDOED

French Troops Penetrate Germany's Siegfried Line



SEEING THE SEA—Farms aren't like this, said girls who varied their stay at 4-H encampment with a steamer trip to Mount Vernon. Left to right: Annabelle Wetzel, Harrisburg, Pa.; Martha Wreath, Manhattan, Kas.; Dorothy Sledge, Coughatta, La.

France Opened Attack Western Front Barrages

UNDATED, Sept. 4. — Heavy gunfire sounded on the Western Front as Great Britain, France and Poland made war on Germany.

The tiny Grand Duchy of Luxembourg wedged between France and Germany heard the ominous sounds reminiscent of 1914, soon after dawn, in the new European war.

The first maritime casualty is the British liner Athenia which sank off the Hebrides Islands after she was hit by a torpedo, which British officials attributed to a submarine.

Winston Churchill, First Lord of the British Admiralty said the ship was torpedoed "without the slightest warning".

The rescue fleet reported officially they had saved all of the fourteen hundred passengers—three hundred and eleven of them Americans, except a few killed in the torpedo explosion.

France opened its land, sea and air operations against Germany, the War Ministry announced, without disclosing the exact theatre of hostilities being designated, to relieve German pressure on Poland.

Reports circulated in the French Chamber of Deputies said the French offensive was concentrated in the Belfort region where Burgundy Gate, a valley, cuts across the Rhine to Germany not far from the Swiss frontier.

Governor Troy Resigned; New Gov. Appointed

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2. — President Roosevelt Saturday announced the resignation of Governor John W. Troy of Alaska.

He also announced the recess appointment of Dr. Ernest H. Gruening, chief of the division of Territories and Insular Possession under the Department of the Interior, to succeed Gov. Troy.

The White House made public, correspondence with Governor Troy, in which he said he was resigning because of prolonged ill health. His resignation will become effective October 15.

Announce Capture Important Rail Head of Poland

BERLIN, Sept. 2. — DNB reported that German troops had captured Oderberg, an important rail crossroads on the South western Polish Czech frontier, after the Poles had exchanged only a few shots and then fled with everything portable.

The news agency said that the town was not damaged except for a few broken windows, and that the populace showered flowers on the incoming Germans.

The Poles were said to have seized the town when Czechoslovakia went to pieces.

British Liner S. Athenia Sinks After Torpedo

LONDON, Sept. 3. — The Admiralty today confirmed the torpedoing of the British liner Athenia.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. — The British Broadcasting company's representative said that the British steamer Athenia, with fourteen hundred aboard had been torpedoed two hundred miles East of the Hebrides Islands.

The liner was bound from Glasgow to Montreal.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4 — NBC said its engineers had picked up the shortwave broadcasting station DJB, Berlin, which said the Athenia had struck a floating British mine, and had not been torpedoed by a German U Boat.

DJB, being owned by the German government, the announcement thus had an official tinge.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4. —The State Department has been advised that two ships picked up a thousand survivors of the sunk British ship Athenia.

Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy's message to the Department from London said the British Admiralty reported the steamer Knute Nelson was carrying eight hundred survivors while Wannengren's yacht the Southern Cross was carrying two hundred.

Wannengren, mentioned as the owner of the Southern Cross is not otherwise identified.

The State Department was informed there would be a delay in efforts to check the list of those saved, with the Athenia's passenger list, so the names of any persons lost will not be available for some time.

FDR Announced U. S. Neutrality European War

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4. —Proclamations that President Roosevelt is declaring American neutrality and invoking the neutrality act, will be issued within the next twenty four hours, the White House announced.

State Department officials said they were looking into the facts regarding the sinking of the Athenia and the airplane bombing of the villa of the American Ambassador near Warsaw.

Stephen Early the presidential secretary, told reporters the two proclamations would be issued simultaneously, probably thru the State Department.

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JAPS HOP FOR OAKLAND

SEATTLE, Sept. 2 — The Japanese round the world airplane Nippon hopped off from Boeing Field here for Oakland at 9:01 AM, for an estimated flight of five hours.

France and Britain Waited Until Last Possible Moments

UNDATED, Sept. 2. — Armed and ready, Great Britain and France decided upon at least a slight delay in warring with the Nazis.

Daladier told the Chamber of Deputies that if eleventh hour efforts were made to halt the German Polish conflict, France would support them, but would fight for Poland unless Germany stopped its aggression.

Chamberlain deferred his vital statement on Britain's stand until late today, awaiting Hitler's answer to 'our last warning', to halt the Reich's armies.

France said she heard rumors that Germany had suspended Poland operations but the Berlin high command denied this.

Warsaw reported that Polish troops were resisting while the government declared Poland was under a state of war.

The Poles were reported to be holding Westerplatte despite 3 German attacks, and although the Germans claimed its capture.

Official Polish statements did not estimate the losses but said that civilian casualties were severe "because most attacks were on unfortified cities."

A Berlin broadcast warned that an air raid was expected there tonight.

The Polish embassy in London said that Warsaw had been bombed six times today.

A German radio announced two German columns which entered Pomerania from the eastward had joined, bottling the Poles in the northern part of the Polish corridor.

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Chamberlain Tells World Britain Is In The War

LONDON, Sept. 3 — Prime Minister Chamberlain today proclaimed Britain at war with Germany, after the expiration of the British ultimatum to Germany to withdraw her troops from Poland. The deadline expired at 2:00 a.m. Pacific time.

"You can imagine what a bitter blow it is to me. The actions of this man Hitler show convincingly that he will never do otherwise than use force in the attainment of his will. Consequently we are at war with Germany. I am certain the right will prevail."

So spoke Chamberlain in his fateful message—a quarter hour radio address tonight.

PARIS, Sept. 3. — Britain's war declaration left no doubt that France must follow suit.

LONDON, Sept. 3 — An exchange telegraph British news agency report stated that the Berlin radio announced the capture of Czenstochqu by the German forces.

PARIS, Sept. 3. — France tonight joined Britain in war against Germany as the French government announced that Germany had refused to give a satisfactory answer to France's ultimatum for the withdrawal of Reich troops from Poland—automatically putting France at war, starting at 7 p.m. today Paris time.

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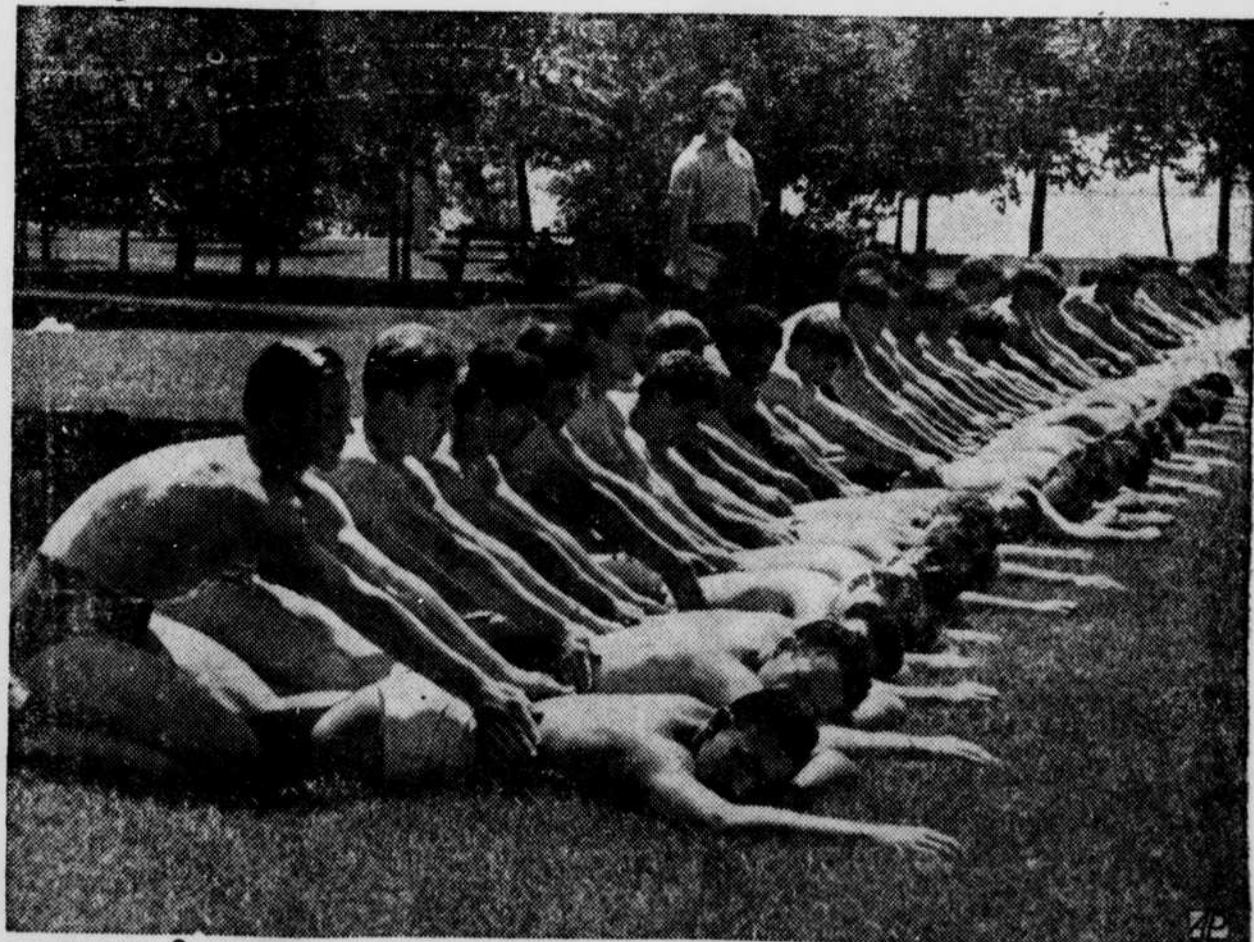
SUN... FUN—Whimsical Francis Day, London stage star, wore flower-rimmed sun glasses at Soho fair in London.

Coast Guard Head Alaska Passes On

KETCHIKAN, Sept. 1— Commander W. K. Thompson, head of the combined Coast Guard and Lighthouse Service in Alaska, died last night, after thirty one years of service.

As commander of the Cutter Itasca he was the last person to hear Amelia Earhart's voice over the radio-phone, and engaged in the fruitless search for her plane.

He is survived by a widow and son Frank of Port Angeles, and a son W. K. Jr., an ensign aboard the cutter Northland.



ON GUARD WITH LIFE GUARDS—Here are some of Chicago's 233 life guards learning resuscitation, the better to patrol 28 miles of beaches. (A.P.-Universal Newsreel Photo.)